



# Low back pain



- ✓ One of the most common health problem all over the world.
- ✓ 80% of people will suffer at least one disabling episode of low back pain during their lives (Norris, 2008).

# Devices for low back pain

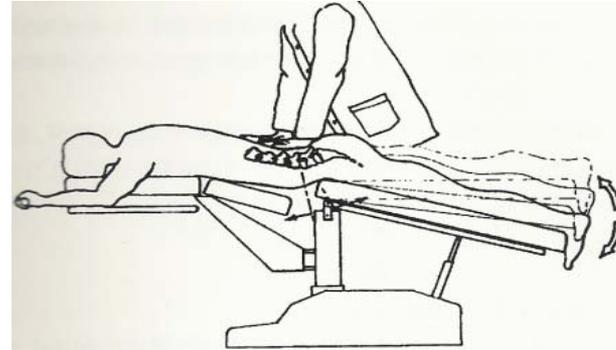
## Traction



- ✓ Separation of the intervertebral motion segment and pain release (Krause et al., 2000)
- ✓ It is unclear the intensity and duration according to severity of low back pain

# Devices for low back pain

## Chiropractic table

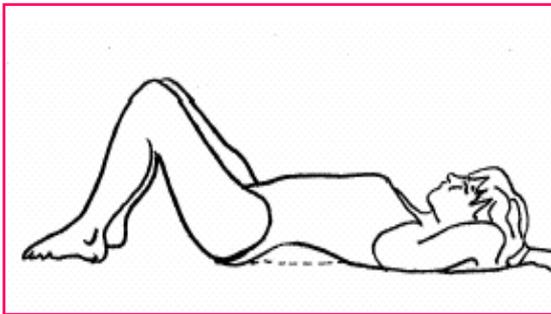


- ✓ Distraction and mobility of lumbar spine.
- ✓ It is possible to induce lumbar instability.

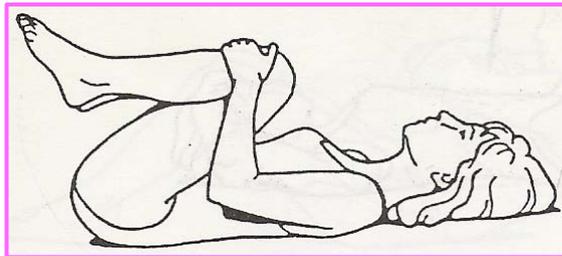
# Exercise for low back pain

## Williams' exercise

**Williams' Exercise 1**



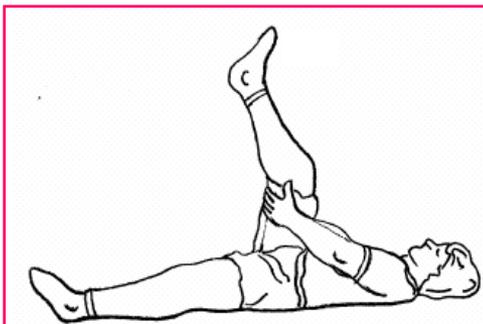
**Williams' Exercise 3**



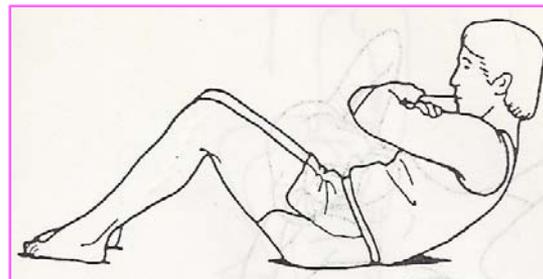
**Williams' Exercise 6**



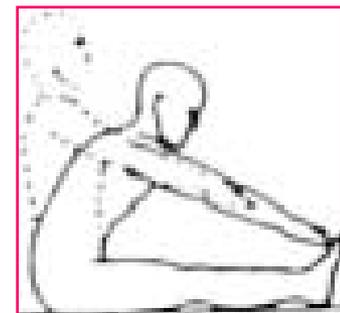
**Williams' Exercise 2**



**Williams' Exercise 4**

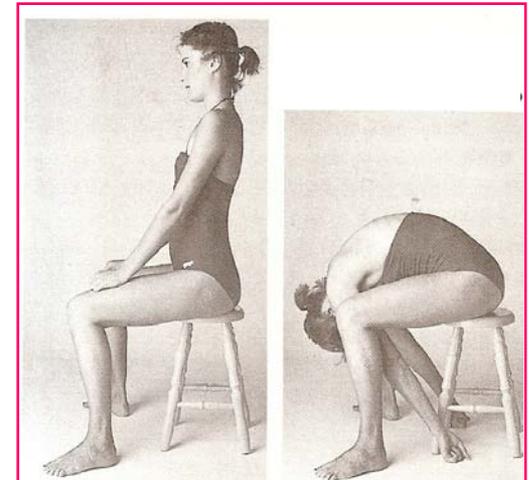
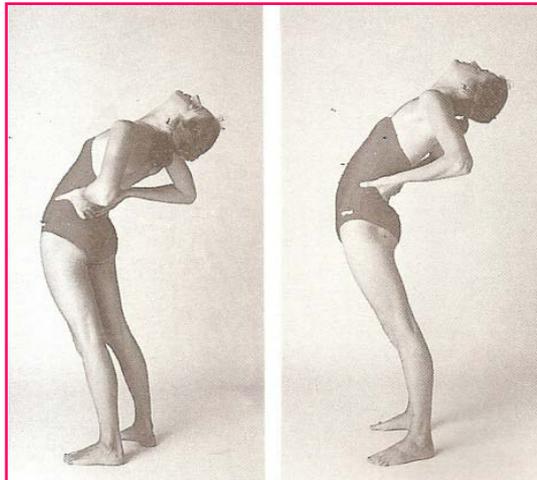
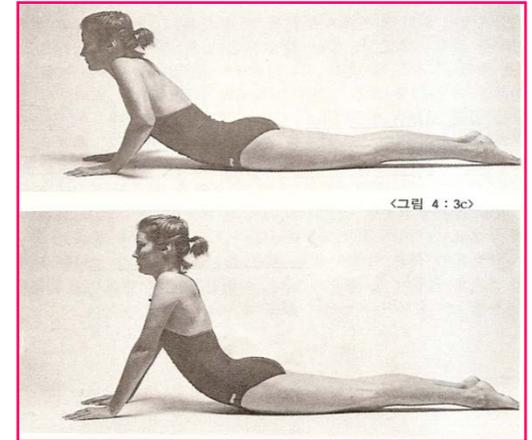
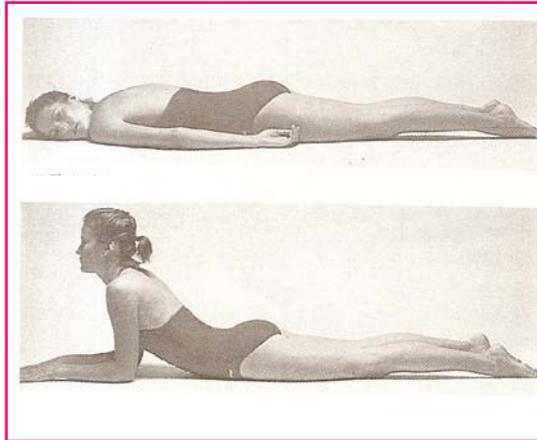
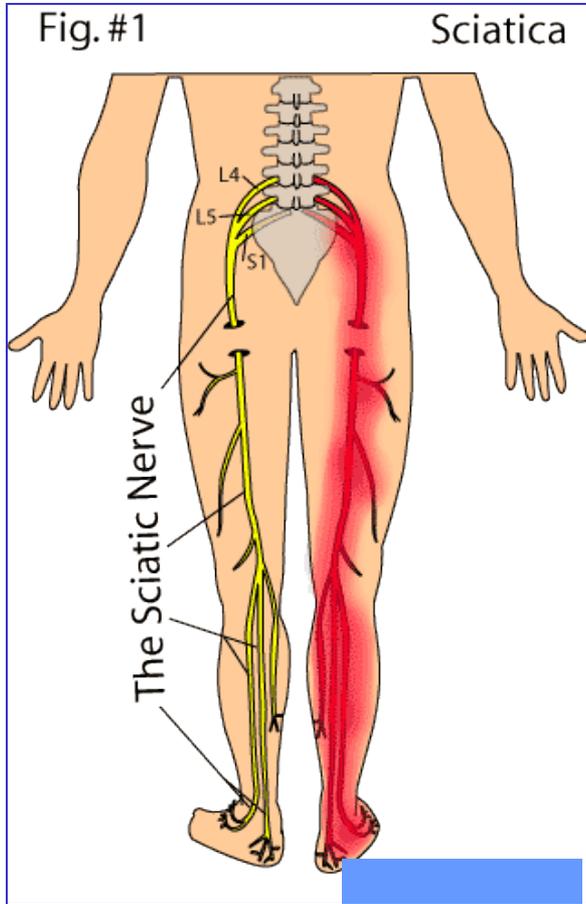


**Williams' Exercise 5**



# Exercise for low back pain

## McKenzie's exercise



# Strengthening of trunk muscles



Lumbopelvic stability is influenced by trunk muscles (global muscles & local muscles).



Trunk instability could induce low back pain.



**Strengthening of lumbopelvic muscle** is important for not only **treating low back pain** but also **preventing low back pain**.

# Strengthening of trunk muscles

## Devices with unstable condition



• 특수운동 / 치료에 폭넓게 적용



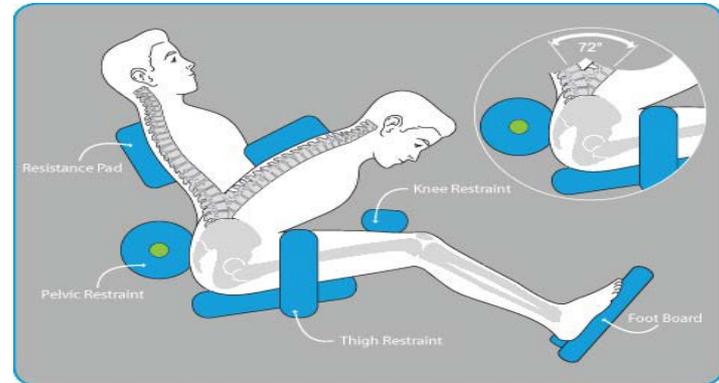
• 성장발달 / 근 골격계 / 휘트니스



- ✓ High cost-effectiveness & convenient application
- ✓ It could not acquire quantitative outcome of exercises.

# Strengthening of trunk muscles

## Isokinetic device



- ✓ Strengthening of back muscles with various intensity level.
- ✓ it is difficult to strengthen deep muscles of trunk.

# Strengthening of trunk muscles

## 3-D CENTAUR

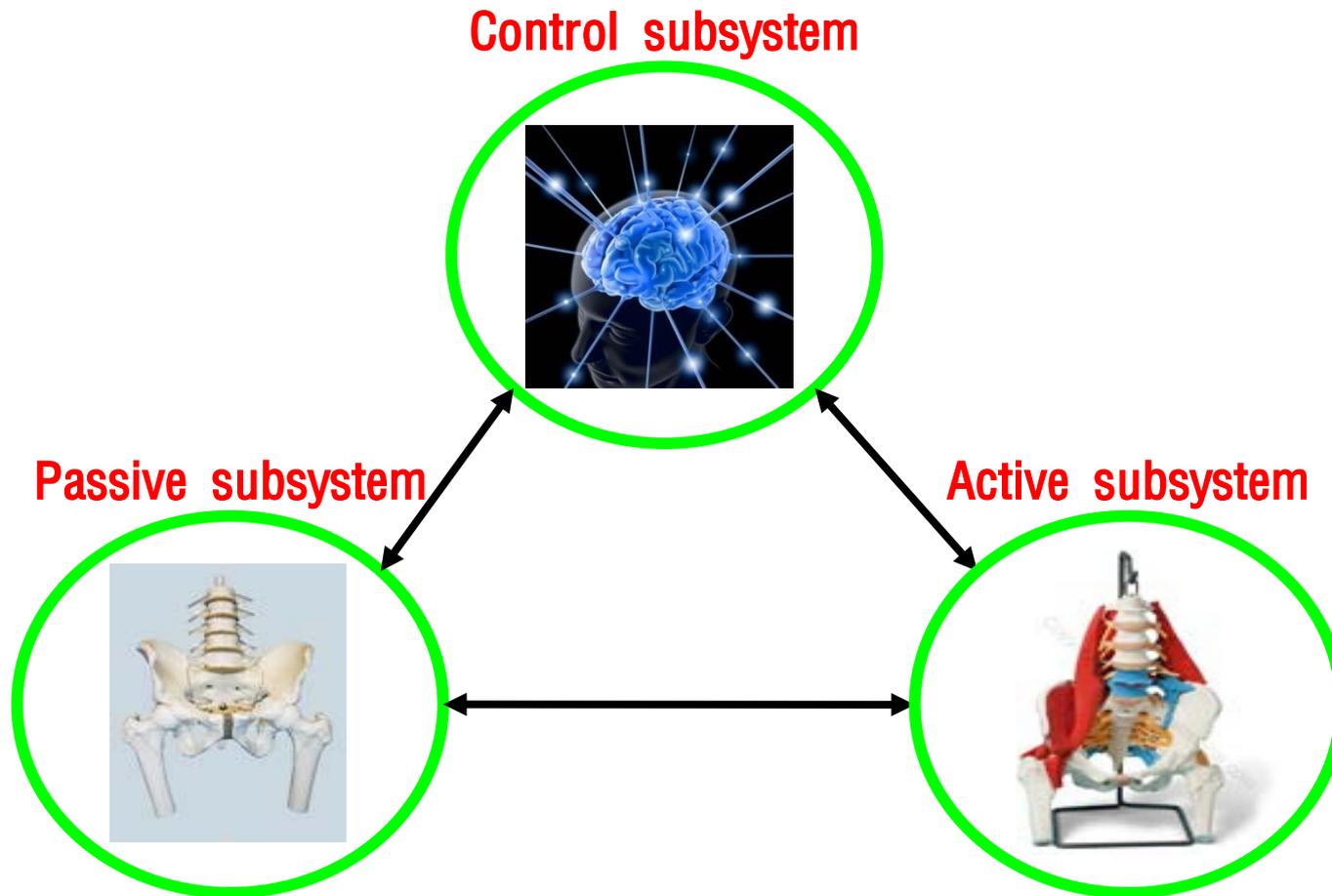


- ✓ Recently, strengthening of trunk muscles using gravity force is suggested as a new exercise protocol for low back patients
- ✓ However, it did not provide biofeedback for correcting postural alignment

# Comparison of Technologies of 3D Spatial Rotators

Name of Model	3D-CENTAUR	SPACE CURL /Germany
<p><b>Equipments Display with Spatial Rotator Function</b></p>	 <p>Window to identify movement</p>	
<p><b>Patient Diagnosis Bio Feedback Automatic sensor</b></p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No feedback sensor</li> <li>- Objective data not available</li> <li>- Verification of equipment, not on the patient</li> </ul>	<p><b>3D exercise-unit for posture training and stabilizing muscles an etc...</b></p>
<p><b>Differential Technology</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>No patient monitoring function</b></li> <li>- <b>Subjective data of curers</b></li> <li>- <b>Subjective sthenometry</b></li> <li>- <b>Unilateral adaption on the device</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Manual</b></li> <li>- <b>Therapist can not treat as intended</b></li> <li>- <b>Possible damage caused by sudden movement</b></li> <li>- <b>Posture and muscular endurance can not measure</b></li> </ul>

# What is the lumbopelvic stability ?



✓ Panjabi (1992) theorized that spine stability is dependent on three subsystems : passive (spinal column), active (spinal muscles), and control (neural control) subsystems.

# Active subsystem

Active subsystem

## Global mobilizer

Rectus abdominis

External oblique abdominis  
– lateral fiber

Erector spinae



## Global stabilizer

Internal abdominal oblique

External oblique abdominis  
– medial fiber

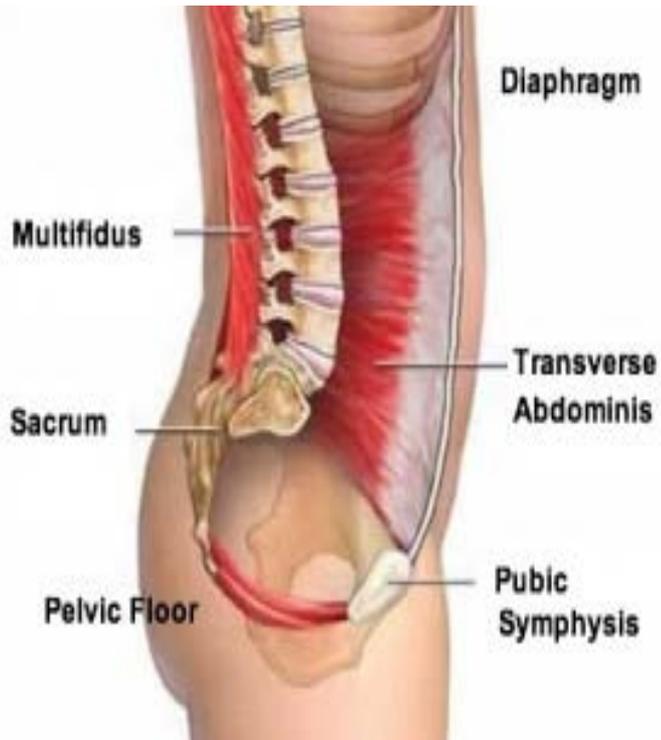
## Local stabilizer

Transverse abdominis

Multifidus

# Active subsystem

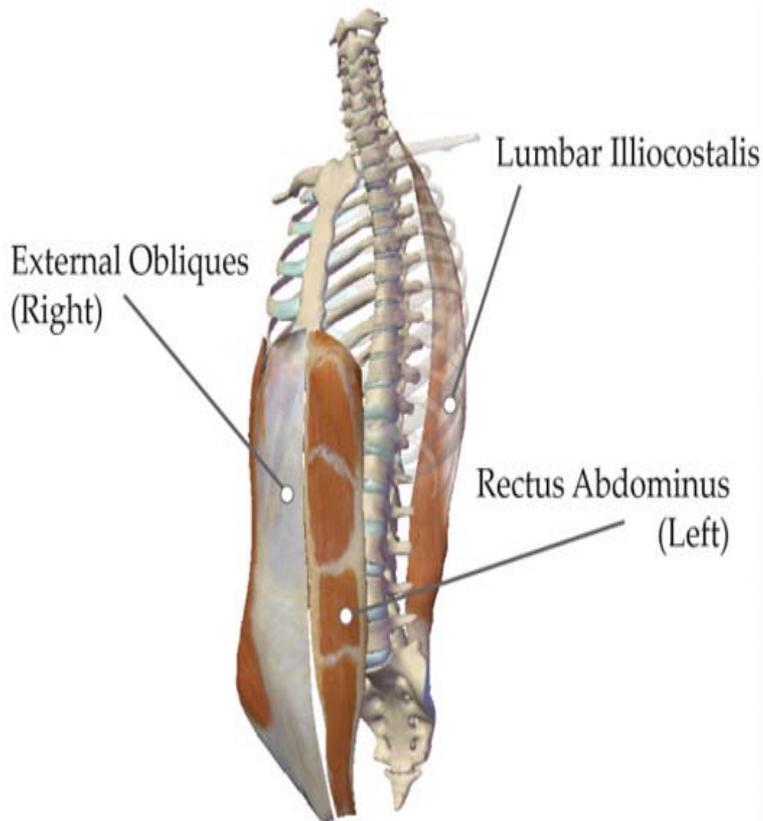
## Local muscles



- ✓ Multifidus, transverse abdominis, pelvic floor muscle
- ✓ Deepest layer muscles that originate and insert segmentally
- ✓ Control and maintain the neutral spinal curvature (Bergmark, 1989)

# Active subsystem

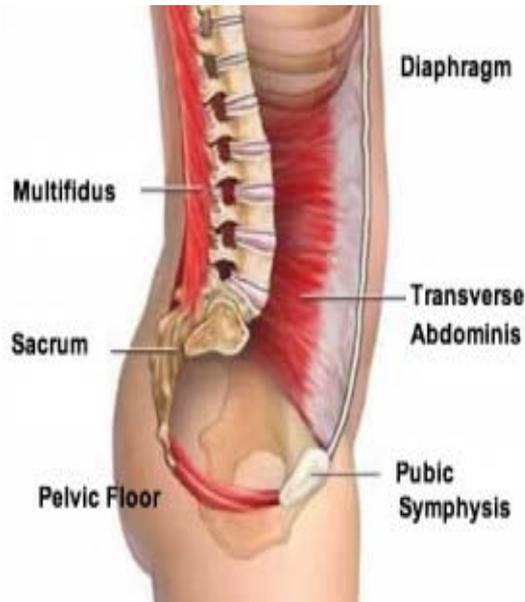
## Global muscles



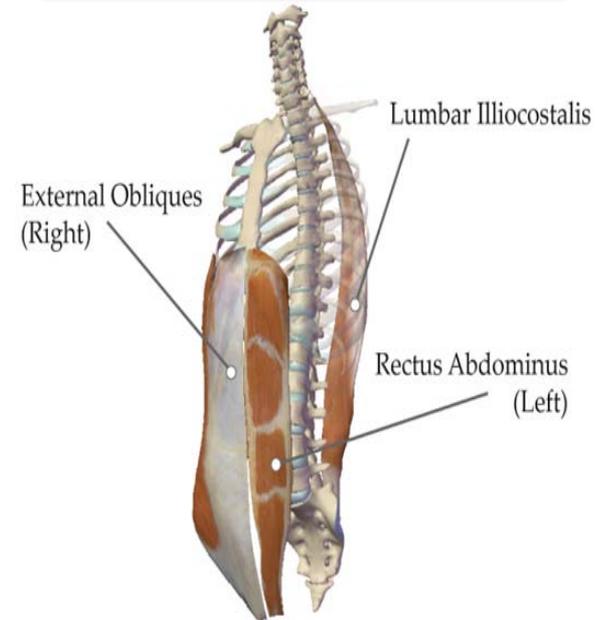
- ✓ Rectus abdominis,  
External oblique abdominis,  
Internal oblique abdominis,  
Erector spinae
- ✓ Superficial or outer layer of  
muscles lacking segmental  
vertebral insertions
- ✓ Insert or originate on the spine  
or pelvis (non-segmentally)
- ✓ Movement with stability  
(Bergmark, 1989;  
Gibbons and Comerford, 2001)

# Active subsystem

## Local muscles

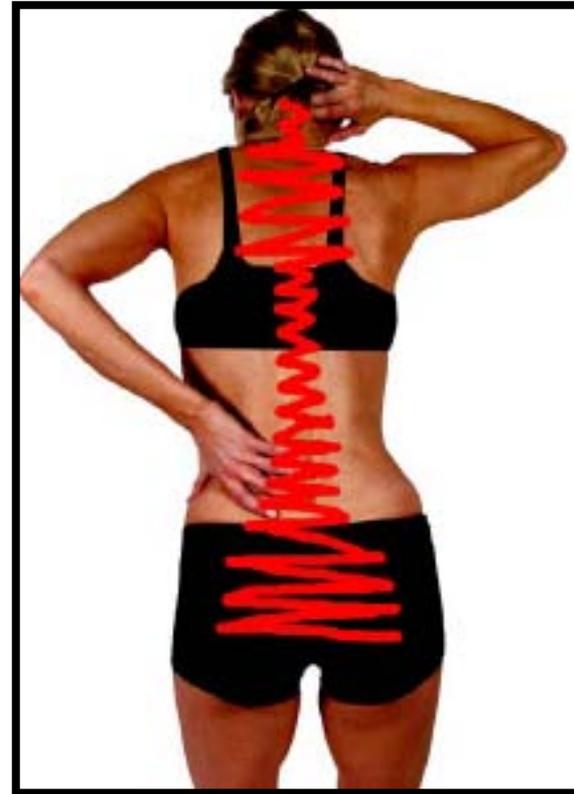
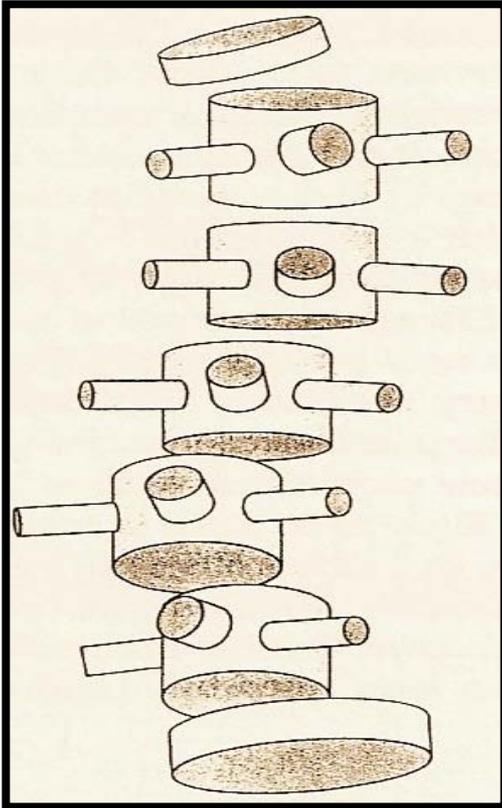


## Global muscles

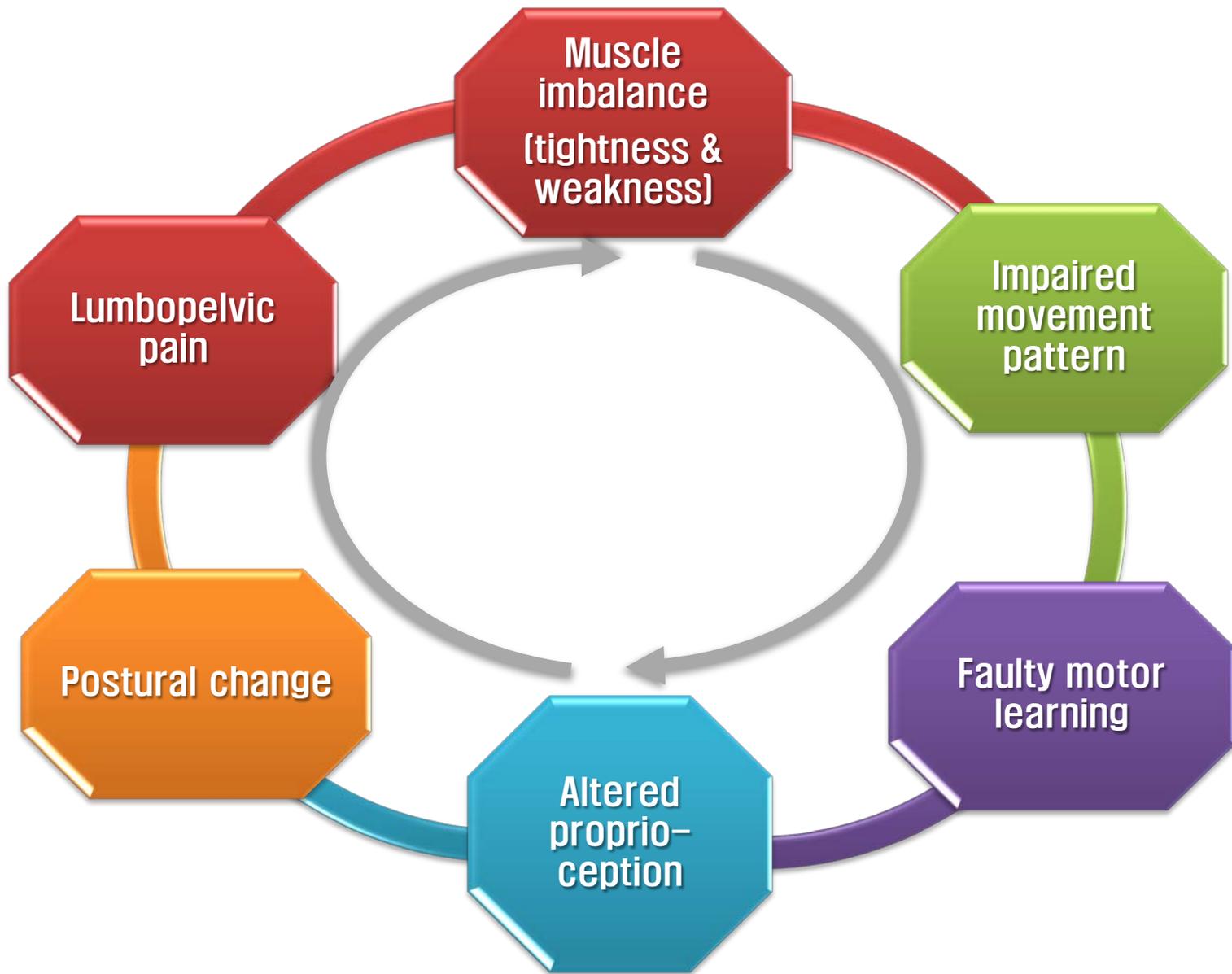


- ✓ Active subsystem provides segmental stability and produce movement with stability (Gibbons & Comerford, 2001)
- ✓ **Strengthening of local & global muscles ⇒ Increase in lumbopelvic stability**

# The need for lumbopelvic stability

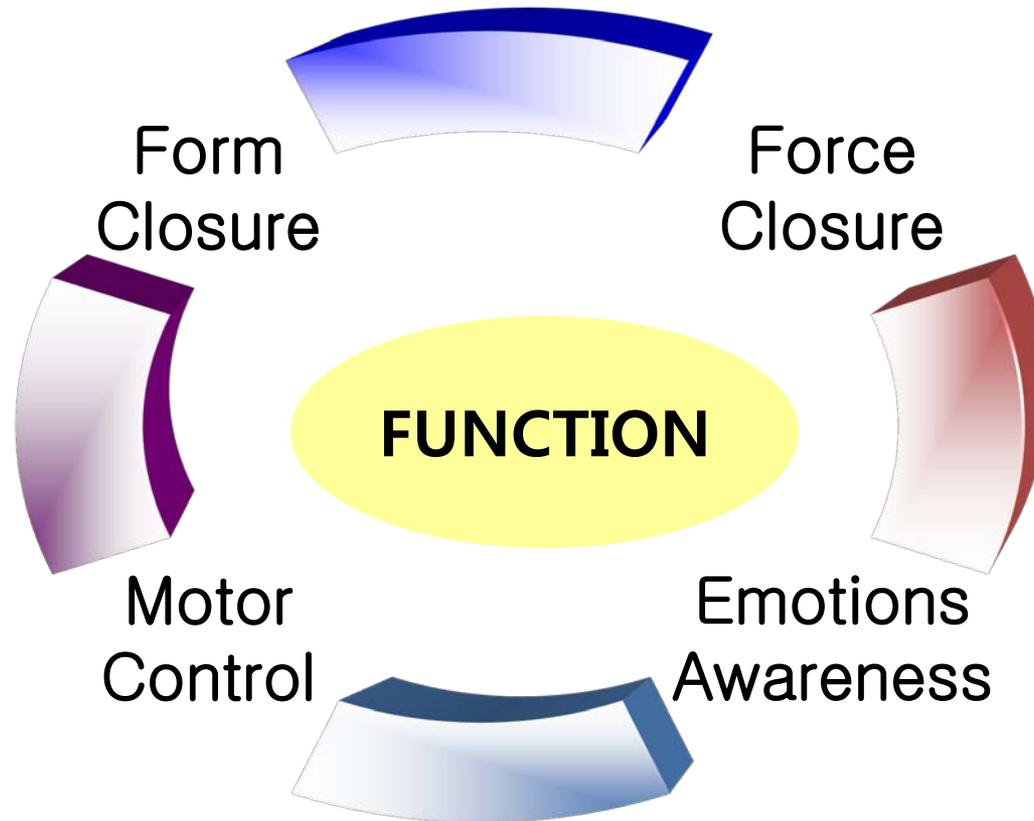


- ✓ Spine = multi-segmental joints
- ✓ The spine is inherently unstable and is dependent on the contribution of muscles in addition to the passive elements of the spine. (Panjabi 1992)
- ✓ **To maintain optimal spinal alignment, lumbopelvic stabilization is needed.**



✓ **Musculoskeletal pain cycle by Lund et al. (1991)**

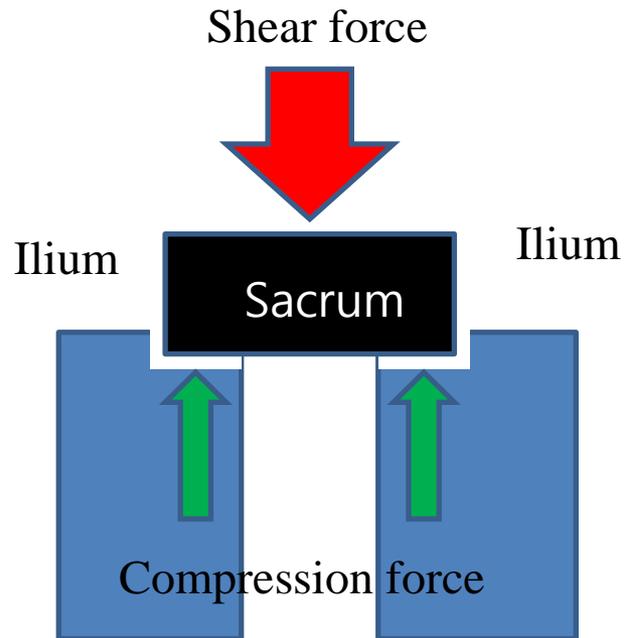
# The integrated model for lumbopelvic function



✓ The integrated model for lumbopelvic function (Lee & Vleeming, 1998)

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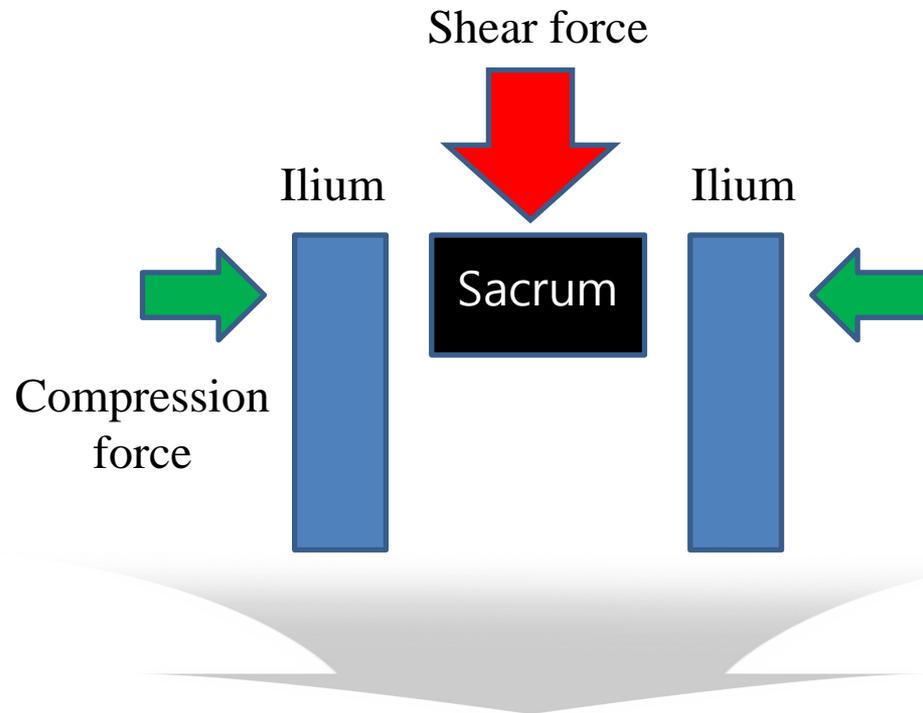
## Form closure



- ✓ Joint, bones, ligaments
- ✓ A stable situation where no extra forces are needed to maintain the state of the system, given the actual load distribution (Snijders et al. 1993)

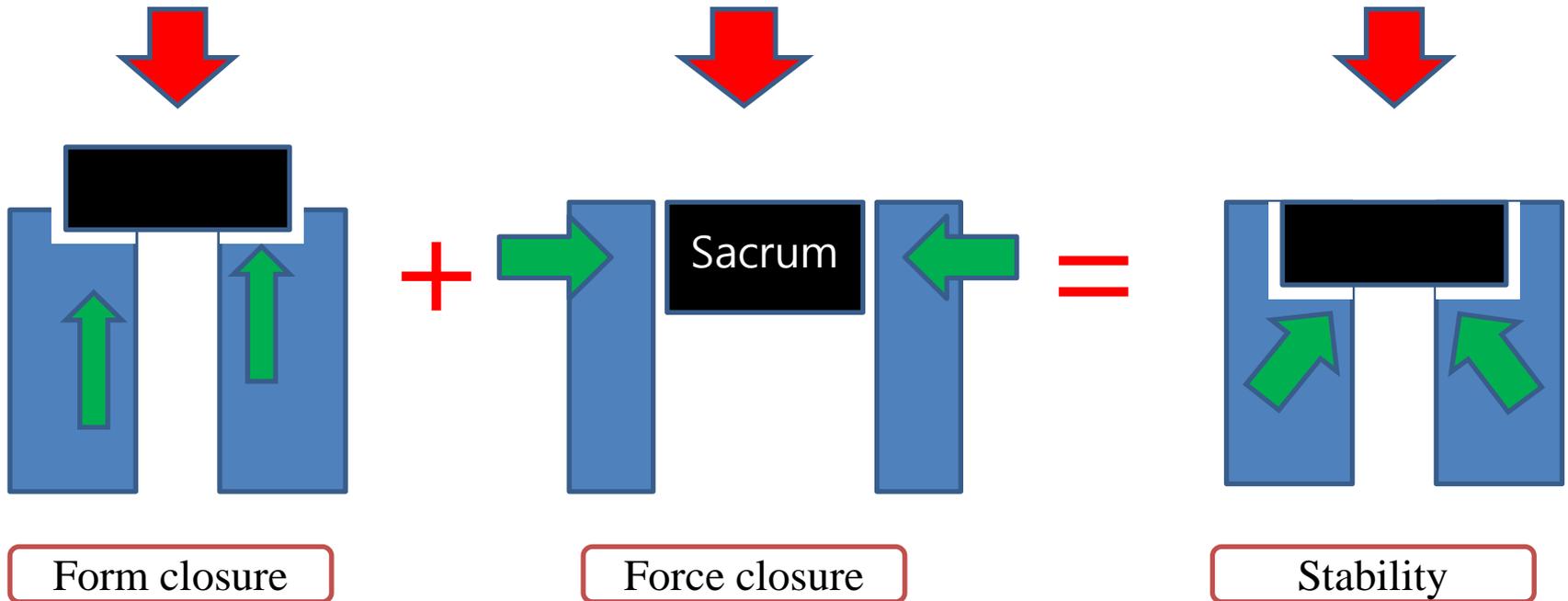
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## Force closure



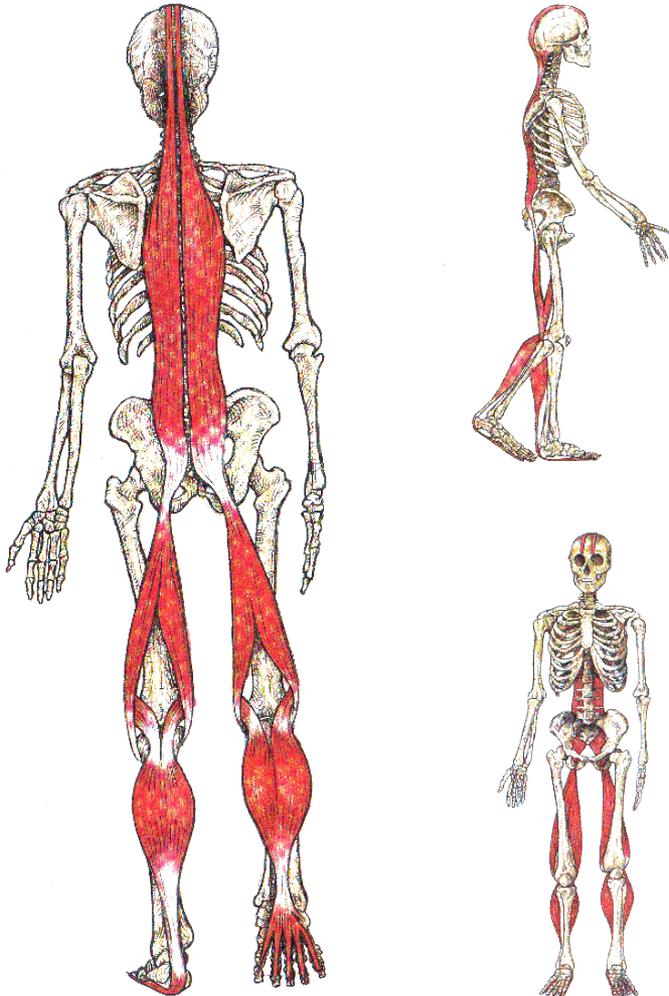
- ✓ Muscles, fascia
- ✓ Transverse abdominis, internal oblique abdominis, multifidus, pelvic floor muscles
- ✓ Extra forces are needed for lumbopelvic stability (Snijders et al., 1993)

# The integrated model for lumbopelvic function



# Gravity force

## Anti-gravity muscles



- ✓ Tonic muscles or postural muscles
- ✓ Mainly extensor of the knees, hips, and back
- ✓ Maintaining normal posture, as they resist the constant pull of gravity

# Gravity force

## Muscle activity & gravity force



- ✓ Antigravity muscles are activated when gravity force is applied as a resistance
- ✓ Multifidus is more activated than iliocostalis lumborum during trunk holding (Ng et al., 1997)
- ✓ EMG activity of trunk muscles increase with increasing trunk tilt angle (Anders et al., 2008)

# Gravity force

## 3-D NEWTON



- ✓ 3-D NEWTON could use gravity force as a resistance.
- ✓ Multidirectional gravity force.
- ✓ Strengthening of back muscles as well as trunk muscles.



Personal Info.



Test



User Protocol



Training



Setup

Selected Personal Chart No.  Name  Personal No.  Notice  Height  Weight  Remark

TOTAL TIME  MIN

Protocol Name

ReSend

Progress Control

Step	BodyAngle	Speed	HoldTime	Aslope
1	0	1	10	30
2	45	1	10	30
3	90	1	10	30
4	135	1	6	30
5	180	1	5	30
6	0	1	10	20
7	-45	1	10	22
8	-90	1	10	22
9	-135	1	6	20
10	-180	1	5	20
11	0	1	10	17
12	45	1	10	17
13	90	1	7	17
14	-45	1	7	17
15	-90	1	7	17
16	0	1	7	0

A.Angle

On

Sensor Intensity

Auto Skip

Sensor Perception

Over Vibration

Vibration

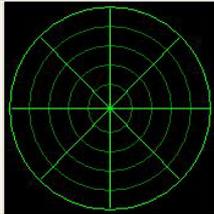
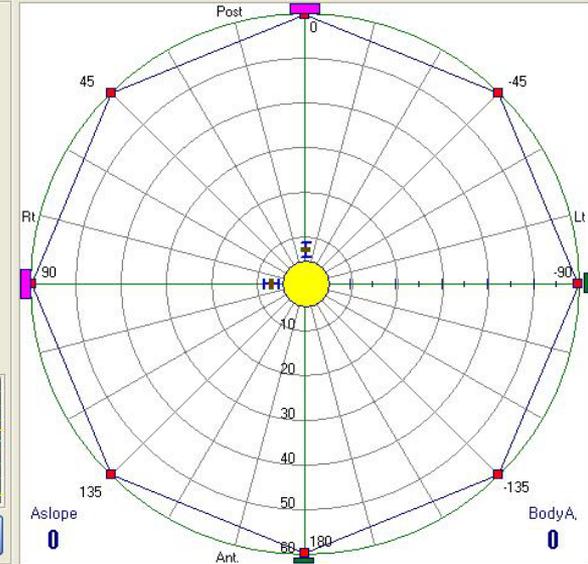
Valid Check

Show Test Graph



Hide 2nd Screen

Preset Laser Position



Clear TrainingData

Apply

Clear Selection

Change Speed

Speed control buttons:

Process Time

Start Time: None

Remain Time: 00:00:00

	Step1	Step2	Step3	Step4	Step5	Step6	Step7	Step8
Angle								
Momentum								
% / Max								
Slope								

Supply Percentage(%)

Apply

View as Percent

Preparation Training

Move Immediately

Laser Control

Laser Control buttons:

Pelvic Hoding

Pelvic Hoding buttons:

HOME

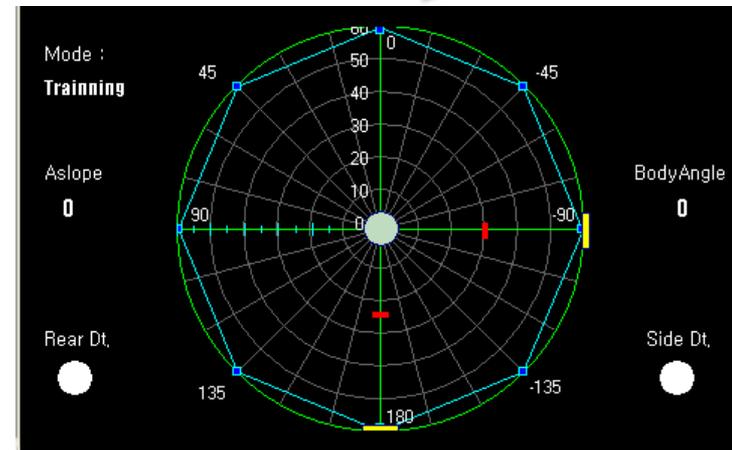
Training START

Training STOP

Skip to Next

# Biofeedback

## 3-D NEWTON



✓ Self-monitoring of postural alignment using visual biofeedback

# Strengthening of trunk muscles

## 3-D NEWTON



Muscle activation ratio with and without visual biofeedback during whole body tilt

		With visual biofeedback	Without visual biofeedback	t	p
Forward tilt 40°	IO/RA	121.39±77.32	81.11±51.97	2.509	.026*
Backward tilt 40°	IO/RA	167.64±89.64	143.88±75.19	2.457	.029*

IO: Internal oblique abdominis, RA: Rectus abdominis, \*p<.05.

(Kang et al., 2011)

# 3-D NEWTON



User-friendly exercise device

3-D exercise for lumbopelvic stability

Self-monitoring of postural alignment  
using visual biofeedback

Objective measurement of outcome